FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.4090**

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TO: The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: School Vacation and Holiday Camps

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill revises the definition of "childcare facilities" to include school vacation or school holiday day camps that operate for sessions of five or more days and applies registration procedures for family childcare homes to school vacation and school holiday day camps. The Bill also amends an existing statute so as to include within the definition of a childcare facility those facilities that are operated for more that four hours a day in connection with a shopping center.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

State Law Enforcement Division – SLED

A review of this Bill by the agency indicates there will be a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State which can be absorbed within existing resources.

Department of Social Services

The Department estimates this Bill would require additional General Funds of the State totaling \$2,156,200 the first year. The agency currently regulates 3,379 childcare facilities with a staff of 45 FTE positions which equates to a facility to staff ratio of 75:1. The agency estimates 4,000 additional childcare facilities would need to be regulated under the provisions of this Bill. Recurring costs of \$1,694,200 would cover salaries and fringe benefits for Fifty (50.00) FTE positions and \$312,000 in operating expenses. Nonrecurring expenses of \$150,000 would cover the costs of furnishings and computers.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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